

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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JANUARY 22, 1846.

Submitted, and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. JOHNSON, of Louisiana, made the following

REPORT :

*The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Clara R. Cobb, submit the following report :*

The petitioner states that she is the widow of Thomas Cobb, a soldier of the war of the Revolution, who was personally engaged in the revolutionary struggle from 1776 to the close of the war; that he was allowed a pension for his services under the law of 1818, but never received bounty lands, in consequence of soliciting his discharge soon after the surrender at Yorktown, and before the army was disbanded; that he died January 17th, 1845, aged eighty-five years; that she was married to him in the year 1816, a period too late to entitle her to a pension under any existing law of the United States.

It appears, from the records in the Pension office, that Thomas Cobb, the husband of the petitioner, was allowed a pension as a sergeant for his revolutionary services, of one hundred and twenty dollars per annum. The petitioner, his widow, now asks a pension; but she was married in 1816, and there is no law which provides for her case. The revolutionary pension laws extend to no widow who was married after 1793. The committee can perceive no well-founded reason in favor of a special act in this case for the relief of the petitioner, and therefore recommend the following resolution :

*Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.*

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